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Rescission Date: April 14, 2018

Background: The purpose of PN-2017-G05 was to establish a protocol for OPA review of competitive grant solicitations. The protocol is replaced with a new process, referenced in PN -2018-GXX

Action: PN-2017-G05 and the protocol it implemented are rescinded and archived in the Office of Grants and Debarment's [Archived Grants Policies](#) intranet site that serves as a library of rescinded policies. A new process has been put in place under [PN-2018-G08](#).

Please note that the rescission of this PN does not supersede requirements reflected in Regulations, Orders, or other policy documents cited elsewhere.

Resources:
[PN-2018-G08](#)

PN-2017-G05

Issuance of the Protocol for Office of Public Affairs Review of Draft Competitive Grant Solicitations

Effective Date: August 8, 2017

Resources:

[Protocol for Office of Public Affairs Review of Draft Competitive Grant Solicitations](#)

Purpose: This Policy Notice establishes the Protocol for Office of Public Affairs Review of Draft Competitive Grant Solicitation.

Background:

The Office of the Administrator has directed that all competitive grant solicitations be reviewed by the Office of Public Affairs (OPA) before they are posted on [Grants.gov](#) and before there is any external engagement (e.g., discussions with external stakeholders regarding priorities or other aspects of the competition) relating to the solicitation. This protocol establishes the process for OPA review.

Actions:

Program offices must begin following the referenced [Protocol](#) immediately. Any competitive grant solicitations that have not already been cleared by the Office of Public Affairs must go through the process set forth by the Protocol. No solicitations will be reviewed, published, or approved by the Grants Competition Advocate's office without obtaining approval from OPA first.